

ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

On 13 September 1969 the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology awarded the third Arthur A. Allen Award to George M. Sutton.

The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife dedicated the new quarters of The Migratory Bird Populations Station, to be known as the Gabrielson Laboratory on 11 October 1969. In celebration of the dedication a two-day symposium on Population Ecology of Birds was held.

The Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology sponsored a two-day research planning conference on Peregrines and other birds of prey on 4-5 November 1969. One of the principal goals of the conference was to organize a North American survey of Peregrine nests in 1970.

The dates for the 51st Annual Meeting to be held at Fort Collins, Colorado have been set as Wednesday, 17 June 1970 through Sunday, 21 June 1970. Most members attending the meeting will be housed in dormitories. Full details will be mailed early in 1970.

It is a pleasure to welcome Dr. Douglas A. James of the University of Arkansas as the newest member of the Editorial Board.

The Society's reserve supply of some recent issues of *The Wilson Bulletin* is inadequate. The supply of all issues of Volume 80 (1968) is especially critical, but we also need additional copies of the March, 1963 issue. Members who do not keep all back issues will be doing the Society an important service by returning any of the above issues to: The Josselyn Van Tyne Memorial Library, Museum of Zoology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104.

As the final number of Volume 81 goes to press I again wish to acknowledge with gratitude and pleasure the cooperation of the many people whose assistance contributed to the success of the volume. As usual the members of the Editorial Board, and the Review Editor were unflagging in their services and assistance. The other officers of the Society have been a steady support to the publication. Special thanks this year go to Miss Mildred Stewart who is retiring after five year's service as indexer. This year, too, I want to give special appreciation to all those authors of papers who have been so unfailingly patient, despite the overly long delays in publication of their work.—G.A.H.

FROM THE AOU

At its annual meeting in Fayetteville, Arkansas on 1 September 1969 the AOU elected the following officers:

John W. Aldrich, President	Richard C. Banks, Secretary
Donald S. Farner, First Vice-President	Burt L. Monroe, Jr., Treasurer
S. Charles Kendeigh, Second Vice-President	Oliver L. Austin, Jr., Editor

The University Press of Kentucky has announced The Kentucky Fellowship, a \$5,000 grant for the best work in progress on any aspect of ecology or conservation. The competition will run from November 1969 through October 1970. It will be open to any environmental scientist, humanist, social scientist, or anyone writing or researching a book-length study likely to make a valid and important contribution to man's understanding of his relationship to nature. Inquiries should be directed to The University Press of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40506.

The sum of \$988.00 is available in the Josselyn Van Tyne Memorial Fund for research grants in 1970. Of this amount, \$185.00 is reserved for research in systematics. Any student of birds is invited to apply for research grants. Young investigators just starting their careers or others not eligible for government grants are encouraged to apply.

Further information may be obtained from and applications should be submitted, not later than 1 April 1970, to Alan H. Brush, Chairman, A.O.U. Research Committee, Biological Sciences Group, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut, 06268.

LOUIS AGASSIZ FUERTES RESEARCH GRANTS

These grants, established in 1947, are devoted to the encouragement and stimulation of young ornithologists. One particular desire is the development of research interests among amateur ornithologists. Any kind of ornithological research may be aided. Recipients of grants need not be associated with academic organizations. Each proposal is considered primarily on the basis of possible contributions to ornithological knowledge.

An anonymous donor gave \$500 to found the fund; later donors have provided additional money. The Council of the Wilson Ornithological Society has added funds as necessary to provide at least one \$100 grant annually. Two grants have been made in several recent years. In 1970 a single grant of \$200 will be made, although on occasion a second award of \$100 has been given.

Although grantees are not required to publish their studies in *The Wilson Bulletin*, it is hoped that they will submit their manuscripts to the Editor of the *Bulletin* for consideration.

Since its inception, the Fuertes Research Grant has been awarded to 27 persons, many of whom have continued their research work.

Application forms may be obtained from Harrison B. Tordoff, Museum of Zoology, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104. Completed applications must be received by 1 March 1970.

THE MARGARET MORSE NICE AWARD

This award, of \$100 annually made possible by the generosity of an anonymous donor, is to be made to the candidate, not having any college or university affiliation, whose project is adjudged by the Research Committee to have the best potential of adding to the sum of ornithological knowledge. High school students are eligible. Applications for this award should be made before 1 March 1970 to Harrison B. Tordoff, Chairman of the Research Committee, Museum of Zoology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.